

Comment
of the
day

THESE ARE OUR
RIGHTS

It is as well to remember, when Russia raves about the "war psychosis of the West," just what all the fuss is about, and just what are our rights in Berlin.

Western rights in Berlin derive from "the total defeat and unconditional surrender of Germany," as Britain, the United States and France have repeatedly stressed to Russia.

In the summer of 1945, shortly after the fighting ended, four-power agreements were reached dividing Berlin into zones and establishing a Control Council "whose decisions shall be unanimous," in the words of the agreement.

Air corridors

THE Control Council, it was agreed, "will ensure appropriate uniformity of action by the commanders-in-chief in their respective zones of occupation and will reach agreed decisions affecting Germany as a whole."

Under the agreements, traffic by road, rail, and air from West Germany through East Germany to Berlin proceeds along prescribed routes.

Aircraft have three 20-mile-wide corridors, and the supervision of a four-power Air Safety Centre.

In the summer of 1949 the Foreign Ministers of the four Powers signed an agreement in New York removing all restrictions on "communications, transport and trade" between the zones.

An obligation

THIS followed the Russian blockade of all ground traffic to Berlin in July 1948—a move which was met by the giant Berlin Airlift.

Later in the summer of 1949 another meeting of the Foreign Ministers—in Paris this time—produced yet another agreement which commits the four Powers to "facilitate the movement of persons and goods."

It stated: "... the Occupation Authorities, each in his own zone, will have an obligation to take the necessary measures to ensure the normal functioning and utilisation of rail, water, and road transport."

Air traffic was not mentioned because no restrictions either on the types of goods or on passengers were imposed during the Russian blockade.

Provocations

THE provocations in the present dispute over Berlin all come from the Soviet Union, not from the West.

If there is any criticism of the attitude of the Western Allies, it is that they have been too passive all along in the face of much aggressive behaviour from the other side.

This, of course, may well be because of the inability of the Western Allies to completely co-ordinate their policy each time a new crisis arises, and to present a united front in the face of successive threats from Moscow.

But whatever the reason, it is, as well, as we remarked at the beginning of this article, to remember just what are our rights in Berlin.

ANOTHER
VICTIM
OF
CHOLERA

A new cholera case was reported this morning from Taipei in the New Territories, Government announced.

The statistical position at 9.30 am today was as follows:

Confirmed cases to date (including 18 deaths)	121
Confirmed cases on danger list	nil
Suspects under observation	nil
Cases recovered and discharged	42
Carriers recovered and discharged	42
Contacts held in the Chatham-road quarantine centre	79
Contacts discharged to date	627

DEATH OF
ADMIRAL
RAMSEY

Philadelphia, Sept. 8.

Admiral DeWitt Clinton Ramsey, retired, former U.S. Commander-in-Chief in the Pacific and onetime Vice Chief of Naval Operations, died today in the Philadelphia Naval Hospital. He was 72.

A veteran of both world wars, Admiral Ramsey commanded the aircraft carrier, Saratoga, in 1942, taking part in the battles of the Coral Sea and Midway, and the first offensive against the Solomon Islands.

After a period of staff duty, he took charge of a task force which included a British warship, the first time, a Navy spokesman said, that the two navies worked together in such an action.

He served as Chief of the Bureau of Aeronautics from 1943 to 1945.

On January 3, 1948, he was made Vice Chief of Naval Operations in Command in the Pacific, and filled that post until his retirement.—AP.

TUC'S SOLID
BACKING FOR
GAITSKELL'S
POLICIES

Portsmouth, Sept. 7.

Britain's trade union leaders decided, by a large majority, today to back the official multilateral defence policy of opposition Labour Party leader Mr Hugh Gaitskell.

Delegates at the annual Trades Union Congress here at the same time rejected a call for unilateral nuclear disarmament by Britain.

A lengthy debate ended with a majority on a card vote of 3,730,000 for the Gaitskell line supporting the West's possession of nuclear weapons so long as Russia has them.

Second

A second resolution opposing the training of German troops in Britain was carried by a card vote majority of 648,000.

Congress approved a resolution deploring and regretting Russia's resumption of nuclear bomb tests and appealing to Mr Khrushchev "in the interests of humanity" to stop the tests.

A second emergency motion approved called on all governments concerned with nuclear tests to abstain from further

Conscription
may be
increased

Bonn, Sept. 7.

West Germany may delay the demobilisation of 36,000 men due to be released from the forces at the end of this month, Dr Konrad Adenauer, West German Chancellor said here today.

He said the Government was considering whether to send the men straight to a reserve exercise and so retain them.

Dr Adenauer told a foreign press luncheon that military conscription could only be extended by changing the law.

Press speculation here is that conscription in West Germany will be increased from 12 to 18 months.

It was announced today that the Bundesrat (Upper House) is to meet tomorrow to consider a proposed government order providing for the mobilisation of specialists aged between 18 and 60 in case of emergency.

The 153 trades covered by the order include building and metal workers, engineers and machinists.

Dr Adenauer referred to a 90-minute talk he had this morning with General Lauris Norstad, Nato Supreme Commander, at which the two men were believed to have discussed Nato military planning.

No changes

Dr Adenauer emphasised that Nato plans could not be altered despite the Berlin crisis. He said it would be correct to conclude that Nato had a "certain confidence in its own strength" and that no changes were necessary.

He repeated that he did not think there would be a war over Berlin because "no one would begin a war which would destroy himself too."

The only way out was by negotiations, he said, adding: "I am in favour of not only Berlin but other subjects being discussed. I fear that if the proposal to be negotiated is too narrow, then it is too easily endangered."

It was no secret, he said, that the West was at present sound.

SALAN'S
NARROW
ESCAPE

Algiers, Sept. 7.

Raoul Salan, one of the four French ex-Generals who led the abortive Alger military insurrection last April, narrowly escaped arrest in a helicopter-mounted raid on a farm at Boufarik, northeast Algeria, last week, according to a private source here.

Salan had left the farm only a few hours before helicopters landed men who surrounded the property, the source said.

Several arrests were made, but their number and importance was not yet known.

Two of the rebel generals, Maurice Challe and Andre Zeller, were tried and sentenced to imprisonment in Paris for their part in the unsuccessful April 22 coup.

The others, Salan and Edmond Jouhaud, went into hiding and have not been found.—AFP.

No. 1 signal hoisted

The No 1 local storm warning signal was hoisted at 12.45 pm today. A tropical storm centred about 180 miles southeast of Hongkong at noon was travelling west northwest at eight knots.

A Royal Observatory spokesman said this morning "if it keeps on its present course, it may pass 100 miles south of Hongkong early tomorrow."

Maximum winds of 37 knots have been reported near its centre, the spokesman added.

PATRIOTIC
PANG OF
CONSCIENCE

Mainz, Sept. 7.

An American Army corporal, who deserted his unit for 208 days, has reported back for duty after the Berlin crisis had caused him pangs of conscience. It was learned here today.

Corporal Wallace Weber was on military leave in Holland when he decided to take up work as a stocker there. But the Berlin crisis awoke qualms in the corporal, who believes in defending his country in case of war.

Wallace was reduced in rank and will serve without pay for a certain period.—AFP.

EYE-OPENER
FOR
MARPLES

Hamburg, Sept. 7.

Mr Ernest Marples, Transport Minister, said here tonight he had already had an eye-opener in his tour of European shipyards where vessels are being built for British accounts.

The eye-opener came from the two-shift system of working in Rotterdam port, the flexibility of labour in Amsterdam's shipyards, and the almost entire freedom from strikes at both places.

TWO THINGS

Mr Marples said: "In Amsterdam two things struck you right between the eyes.

"One was the flexibility of labour. A joiner, if he has no work, will go on to welding and a plater will also do the task welding. Providing the management were reasonable the men were prepared to be flexible—most startling to anybody used to English yards.

"Again, freedom from disputes—they have had no strikes since the war," Mr Marples said. Both sides observed the very good conciliation machinery.

The result was "you get a guaranteed date for the shipowner or the man having a ship repaired," the Minister said.—Reuters.

CUBAN
SHIP
FREED

Richmond, Sept. 7.

A Federal appeals court today freed the Cuban government freighter, Bahia de Nipe (3,805 tons), which was seized by her captain and 11 members of the crew and anchored offshore here. They demanded political asylum.

At the same time the court stayed its order for five days to permit an appeal to the United States Supreme Court by a number of groups seeking to attach the ship.

The State Department had claimed the vessel should be freed immediately to sail to Cuba.—Reuters.

U.S. TRADE MISSION FOR HK

Long Beach, Sept. 7.

A five-man trade mission will leave here for the Orient on Oct 11, it was announced today.

Stops in Japan will include Tokyo, Yokohama, Osaka, Kobe, Kyoto, Nara and Nagoya, and there will also be visits to Manila, Bangkok, Hongkong and Taipei.

The mission, which has the objective of acquainting Far Eastern business leaders with

the local market area here and its port facilities, will be headed by Mayor Edwin Weide of Long Beach.—Reuters.

The Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce, however, said it has no information of the visit to Hongkong.

The U.S. Consulate-General has asked for information

French troops to get
nuclear training

Washington, Sept. 7.

President Kennedy today announced the conclusion of an agreement under which the United States, subject to Congressional approval, would instruct and train French forces in the use of American atomic weapons.

The American-French agreement, which the President sent to Congress today, was similar to agreements in force with a number of other Nato allies.

White House officials said it did not authorise the disclosure of top secret information on manufacture of nuclear weapons.

Gravity

The President said in a message to Congress: "The gravity of the international situation and, in particular, the Soviet threat to the freedom of West Berlin have made it a matter of first importance that the unity of the North Atlantic nations should be sustained."

"The Government of France in this crisis, has behaved with great firmness, and the staunch and determined position of President de Gaulle, in particular, has reinforced the West."

"In these circumstances, I deem it of great importance that we should proceed promptly with such a joint undertaking as this one, carefully matured in prolonged negotiation."

United States officials said that none of the nuclear weapons with which French forces would be trained were within the continental limits of France.

The officials said that since the French Government had maintained a policy of refusing to permit nuclear weapons to be stationed in France, the practical effect of the agreement announced today would involve French Nato forces now stationed in West Germany.

Capable

Normally, an agreement of this type would receive automatic approval if no objections to it were raised in Congress within 60 days. Because this present session of Congress is expected to adjourn in two or three weeks time it will be necessary for the Senate and the House of Representatives to take some specific steps—presumably a joint resolution—to bring the agreement into force.

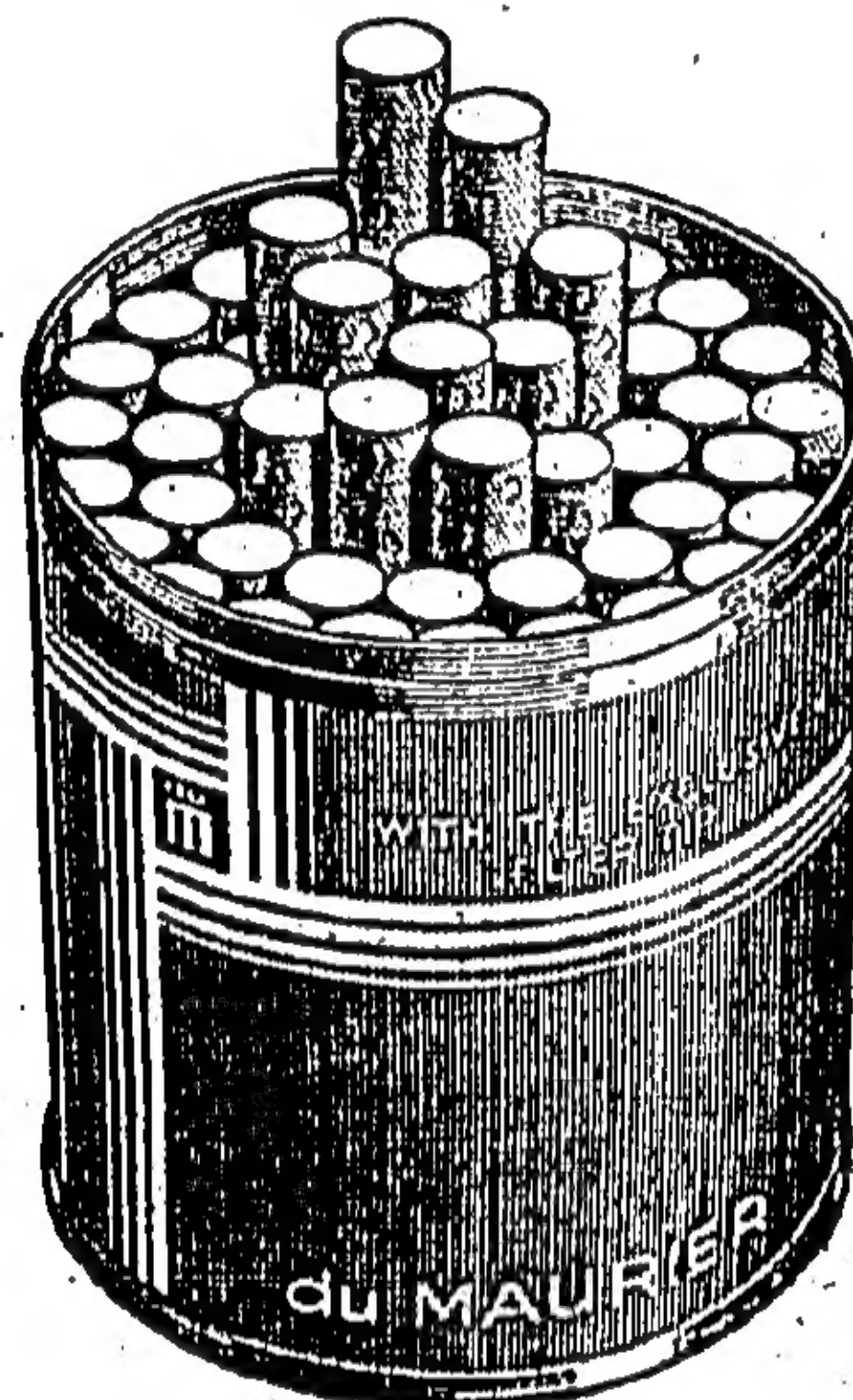
The President asked Congress to take action during the current session so that the agreement with France could come into force promptly.

Noting similar agreements with other Nato allies, the President observed: "For some time members of the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation have been taking steps toward the introduction of the most modern weapons into Nato forces. Among these measures is the introduction into forces of our Nato allies of weapons capable of delivering nuclear warheads."

"Such steps have been proceeding for some time following the considered judgment and agreement of the Nato governments. The objective is to achieve the most effective pattern of Nato military defensive strength. In view of the well-known purely defensive purposes of the

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SAILOR IN A SUBWAY

Broken sleep

New York, Sept. 7. A tired German sailor was found atop a subway tunnel support girder here early today. Police charged him with trespassing on railroad property—after they finally woke him up.

A passenger observed the sailor, Juergen Loch, 25, sleeping on a girder between tracks of a subway tunnel at about 5.30 am. Police were called.

While a subway workman flagged trains to a halt, police tried unsuccessfully to lure Loch down from his perch.

Finally, a policeman climbed the girder post, shook the sailor awake and ordered him down.—AP.

Kennedy accepts international cotton textile agreement

Washington, Sept. 7. President Kennedy accepted today for the United States an international cotton textile agreement reached in Geneva last July aimed to pave the way for solution to problems involved in world trade of that product.

The agreement was reached at a July 17-21 meeting of major textile importing and exporting countries. Its terms have since been made public. It sets out the White House said, "certain basic principles and objectives" and also makes short-term arrangements for cotton textile trade problems during the 12 month period beginning on October 1, 1961.

It also provides development of a longer-term solution by April 30, 1962, by a newly established provisional cotton textile committee under auspices of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade.

SOLUTION
The committee plans to meet on Oct. 9 at Geneva to start considering a long-term solution to problems of world trade in cotton textiles.

The July meeting in Geneva was called by the executive

secretary of GATT at the request of the United States. This request was part of Mr. Kennedy's programme of assistance in the textile industry, announced on May 2.

Under the programme, Mr. Kennedy directed the Department of State to seek an international understanding which could provide a basis for trade "that will avoid undue disruption of established industries."

The White House said that other governments are expected to announce their adherence to the July agreement in the near future.

Represented at the Geneva meeting were Australia, Austria, Canada, India, Japan, Pakistan, Spain, Sweden, the United Kingdom (also representing Hongkong), the United States, and six member states of the European Economic Community.—UPI.

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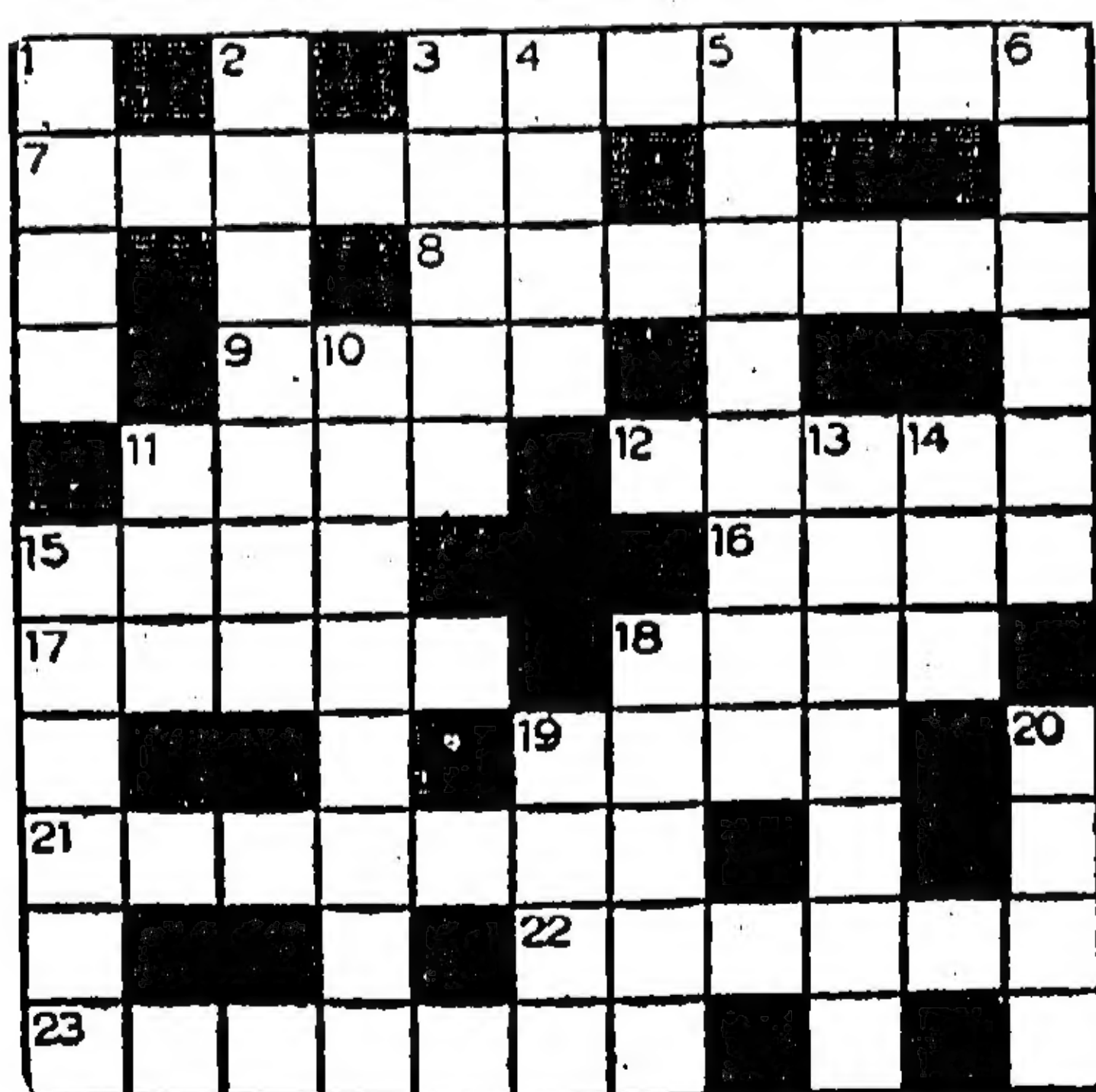
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Entries will be received at the China Mail Office, in the South China Morning Post Building, Wynn Street, up to Monday, October 2.

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• Only members of the 17/21 Club may enter the competition.
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(Signed)

A British Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS

- 3 Forms.
7 Withdraw.
8 Had high hopes.
9 Clearly.
11 Cui.
12 Conclude.
13 Pulls the boats?
14 Spill.
15 Helps.
16 One point for Peter.
17 Bluffs.
18 Little ornament.
22 Keep.
23 Vessel.

DOWN

- 1 Stumble on an excursion?
2 Not known to be peculiar.
3 It's painful.
4 Not so much.
5 Was cold and frightened.
6 Unexpected.
10 Paid attention.
11 Small subscription.
12 Red?
13 Take the chair.
14 Experienced.
15 Again.
19 Aren't!
20 Flower colour.

YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD. — Across: 1 Preserve, 8 Hinge, 10 Abide, 12 Sen, 13 SOS, 14 Fear, 15 Hostel, 16 Means, 18 Humans, 20 Icon, 22 Ant, 23 Fear, 24 Price, 28 Orpen, 29 Canteen. Down: 2 Time, 3 Sen, 4 Reason, 5 Exit, 6 Shipshape, 7 Declining, 9 Germans, 11 Dossier, 13 Has, 17 Enters, 19 Make, 21 Capes, 23 Toll.

'NUCLEAR WAR IN ASIA UNLIKELY BUT POSSIBLE'

General Collins tells of Communist capability

Washington, Sept. 7. General James Collins, Commander-in-Chief of the U.S. Army in the Pacific, said today that although nuclear war in Asia was unlikely, the possibility of it must be considered.

The General said in an address to the Association of the U.S. Army here that the Chinese-Soviet bloc was capable of non-nuclear, tactical nuclear and massive nuclear attacks.

The U.S. could therefore maintain peace and deter aggression in the Asian area only by having similar capabilities.

"Korea, Dien Bien Phu and Laos are facts that diminish the credibility of massive nuclear retaliation as a deterrent to non-nuclear aggression in Asia," General Collins went on.

Deterrent

"In my opinion, aggression in Asia can be deterred only by a credible conventional deterrent. This means obvious Army strength, U.S. and Allied, and positive action to make it credible."

These forces must nevertheless have a nuclear capability on the ground, he added.

Some people, the General said, referred to the Pacific theatre as a limited war area.

"We should not go that far, as such a term excludes the ever-present possibility of nuclear war in Asia," he said.—Reuter.

Freetown, Sept. 7.

The Duke of Devonshire, Commonwealth Under-Secretary, arrived in this Sierra Leone city, yesterday on a three-day visit.

He will go on to Accra on Saturday next for the Commonwealth Economic Consultative Council Meeting.—China Mail Special.

KENNEDY SAID UPSET BY ANTI-WESTERN BELGRADE SPEECHES

Washington, Sept. 7. There was a published suggestion here today that President Kennedy, reported to be upset by anti-Western speeches at the recent Belgrade Conference of Non-Aligned Nations, might be thinking of curtailing economic assistance to some neutrals.

Such a move could represent a drastic change in United States foreign policy.

The suggestion was made in the news columns of the Washington Post, dealing with a statement issued by the President at his Hyannis Port holiday headquarters last Monday, after signing the Foreign Aid Authorization Bill.

"It is my belief," said the President then, "that in the administration of these (aid) funds, we should give great attention and consideration to those nations who have our views of the world crisis."

IMPRESSION

There has been no attempt officially to explain what the President had in mind.

When Mr. Pierre Salinger, the Presidential Press Secretary, was asked today to clarify the statement, he replied that it spoke for itself.

Nevertheless, official sources did not discourage the im-

pression that some of the anti-Western declarations made in Belgrade, particularly on the Berlin and nuclear testing issues, had caused annoyance here.

The Washington Post writer, Carroll Kilpatrick, commented regarding the words in the President's Hyannis Port statement "if they mean what they appear to, they mean that in the future a country like Yugoslavia will receive precious little American aid and that aid to some neutrals could be drastically curtailed."—Reuter.

SHIP FIRE

Margate, Sept. 7.

The Turkish 4,237-ton freighter, Kayseri, was hit by a fire in its cargo of oil cake.

Fire brigade officials headed out to the vessel in a tug. The ship was bound for Dover.—AP.

WOMEN OF PEMBROKESHIRE CRITICISED

London, Sept. 7.

The "sex-starved" women of Pembrokeshire, Wales, who "gush" over German Panzer troops training there, are too thick in the head to be politically conscious, declared a publication here.

The Railway Review, newspaper of the National Union of Railwaymen added: "If the authorities dressed chimpanzees in uniform, they would clamour to be photographed with them."

"These women must be potty or so sex-starved that they only need the chance to get uncorked and all their suppressed emotions would come gushing out like pop out of a bottle."

"These silly women are too thick in the head to be politically conscious. It is doubtful whether they really know what is going on."

Later, the review said: "There are as many wide open spaces in Germany as in Wales, and if we are all such cheap friends why could not the Germans train with the British Army?"—China Mail Special.

Nuclear training for French troops

(Continued from Page 1)

alliance, the introduction of modern weapons into Nato forces to take account of technological developments is in no way a cause for legitimate concern on the part of other countries."

The President said that the agreement with France "will make possible effective co-operation with France in Nato mutual defence planning and in the training of French Nato forces."

Conclusion

"Training of certain French Nato forces, which play a significant role in European defence, cannot proceed to conclusion until this agreement becomes effective," he added.

"This agreement should be brought into effect as quickly as possible, in order that we can promptly and fully utilise the potential of French military forces in the development of our Nato defensive strength."

The President said that it had already been explained to interested members of Congress that the agreement provided for a limited release of information to carefully selected personnel, and that careful arrangements had been made to ensure that all necessary security requirements were met.—Reuter.

Rita Hayworth divorced from fifth husband

Santa Monica, Sept. 7. Actress Rita Hayworth, 41, today was granted a divorce from her fifth husband, producer James Hill, 44, whom she testified he was no longer interested in being married.

Superior Judge Orlando H. Rhodes granted an interlocutory decree on grounds of extreme mental cruelty after Miss Hayworth's sister-in-law testified Hill often would return to the family home in Beverly Hills, go directly to his own room "and stay there the whole evening without coming out."

The sister-in-law, Mrs. Susan Cansino, said, "there were quarrels. He was not happy with the housekeeping—not happy with the type of food on the table."

A property agreement approved by the court provided for equal division of community property acquired by Miss Hayworth and Hill since their marriage on Feb. 2, 1959, and specified the actress would at no time make any demands on Hill for alimony.—UPI.

250 stevedores go on strike in Singapore

Singapore, Sept. 7. Traffic on the teeming Singapore River came to a standstill tonight after 250 stevedores went on strike.

The strike had been called to protest against the alleged failure of the Importers and Exporters Association to implement a wage agreement signed six months ago. The strikers this evening decided to continue the strike until the management agreed to the union's demands.—Reuter.

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Japan newsletter from David Gordon

Japan waits for the nuclear fallout

Tokyo.

"Death Ash To Fall Again?" was the grim headline in most Japanese dailies when the news broke that Russia had exploded another nuclear bomb in the atmosphere.

The reaction was doubly bitter here as this country is the only one to have known the awesome destruction and lasting effects of atomic bombing. Worse still, by some geographic freak, Japan is a "valley" in which fallout from almost any point, drops.

Scientists know that radioactive fallout comes from the Siberian regions in about 48 hours. It takes 10 or twelve days from Bikini Atoll. Now they are busy trying to plot the time it will take from Semipalatinsk.

Strontium 90 from Russia's previous Siberian tests in 1958 is still dropping here. With seasonal rains gathering overhead, these islands are gloomily awaiting the sombre statistics which will tell exactly what further pollution and actual damage will have been wrecked by this wanton Russian act.

GRIM FIGURES

On Krushchev's boast of having perfected a 100-megaton bomb, it was inevitable that feelers here would arrive at fairly exact figures on what could be expected if such a

weapon were used against Tokyo.

Clicking as it may seem, nearly 10,000 people would be obliterated and an equal number within 60 kilometres radius would be badly burned and injured.

It is little wonder that the people of Japan now ask the Russian leader about the honesty of his statement in March 1959 that Russia was ceasing atomic tests "for humanitarian reasons." Don't these exist today?

★ ★ ★
The Tokyo Olympics Organising Committee is having a tough time finding suitable sites for a gymnasium and swimming pool for the 1964 Games.

The most obvious location is Washington Heights—an extensive tract within a few minutes walk of the National Stadium and very handy to all forms of transportation.

However, this fine property is an American Security Forces housing area, and the Americans won't budge unless the Japanese government provides them with similar facilities. This would cost about \$3,000,000 at least—plus conversion costs for the Games.

All other suggested sites are either too far away or in such congested spots that utilizing them would mean a major piece of surgery on the city itself.

MUCH DOUBT

The Olympic Village is to be built at another U.S. Army site and special highways will link it with the various arenas. However, there is still much doubt about how this will really work out, and it is feared that athletes will have to spend as much as four hours a day just to get to and from the village.

Some writers have quite seriously suggested that the Japanese as a people are not temperamentally suited to handle anything more complicated than a wheelbarrow on the roads. And even when you're not on a road here, you still don't have much chance as the tale of a suburban furniture dealer will show.

AND THEN

This unfortunate man has his house and shop on a bend in a highway on the outskirts of Tokyo. Daily, the place is pelted with loose pebbles thrown up by speeding vehicles—and in the past two years it has been side-swiped no less than seven times. He put up a protective fence of 50-gallon drums filled with

ballast. These just got balled into the shop. Finally he had a set of reinforced concrete buffers erected—somewhat like a miniature Maginot Line.

A few days ago, a speeding truck squashed a mother and child against them, then bounced off to hit three parked vehicles and two motor cyclists coming in the opposite direction.

The driver was drunk—apart from being exhausted with fatigue from his long hours at the wheel—all fairly legitimate excuses in Japan. But the unfortunate shopkeeper stands to face a charge of culpable homicide on the grounds that the woman and child would not have been crushed to death if the concrete buffers hadn't been there. You can't win.

★ ★ ★

The Asahi Evening News has been carrying a classified ad under the heading "INSTRUCTION"

"Australian writer, slightly insane but harmless, with two university degrees and debts, will teach advanced English conversation over coffee or highballs. Apply Box—"

Some unfortunate Japanese innocent students to learn some remarkably colourful adjectives after the first few rounds of highballs if the advertiser is a dinkum Aussie.

The "lessons" would probably degenerate into sign language in any case as the noise and uproar in Tokyo bars and coffee shops precludes any normal conversation.

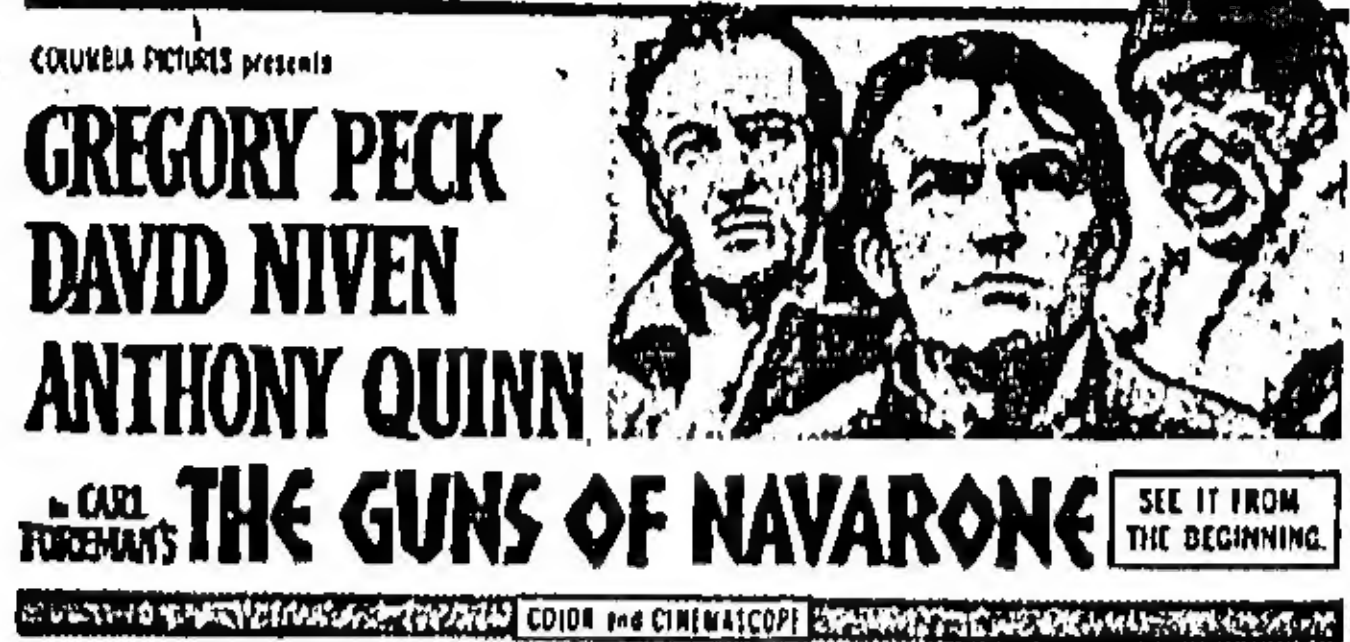
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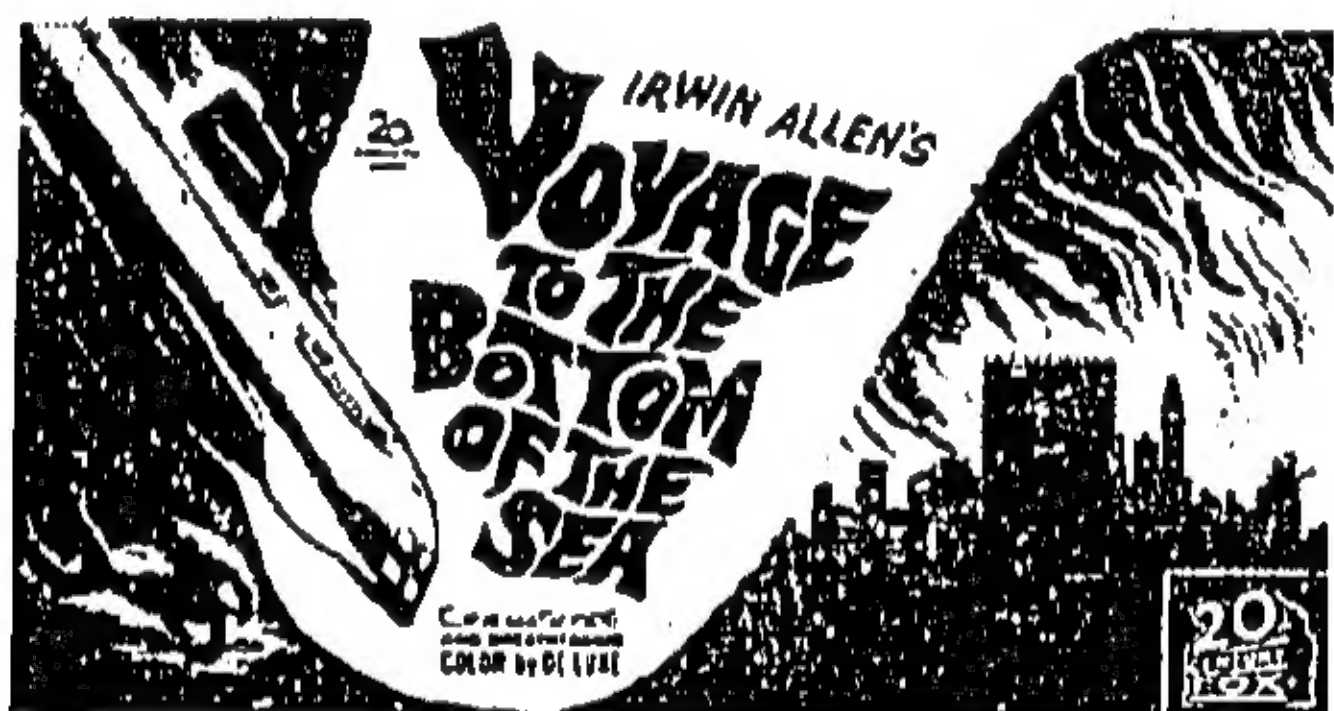
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'Rocking' Reverend arrives in Sydney

Sydney, Sept. 7. The 'Rocking' Reverend J. N. Bacon, of Derbyshire, England, arrived in Sydney in the liner Stratheden today on route to the central Queensland town of Charters Towers where he will become assistant master at All Saints School.

Rev. Bacon said teenagers were becoming more attracted to the Church because they understand the modern idiom of music and the rock.

Losing battle

He said: "Staid church music has dragged behind in the past and has been responsible for the Church's losing battle to win over the modern generation."

"Five years ago I decided to inject swing into Church music, and my congregation rose from 50 to 250. This number has steadily increased even though there has been some objection from the older generation."

"I don't know if you have the modern trend in religion out here, but if not, I'll see what I can do."—China Mail Special.

Mother's comment on diapers and nuclear war

London, Sept. 7. A mother of two young children told a London magistrate today that in the last three years she had washed 7,000 nappies (diapers) "and I do not want that labour wasted by nuclear war."

The mother was one of 120 pacifists arrested for obstruction after anti-nuclear test demonstrators had tried to march to the American Embassy in London last night.

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The magistrate Mr. Clyde Wilson commented that he hoped her observation "will have some effect on Mr. Khrushchev."

Fined £1

The mother was fined £1 as were most of the other 46 pacifists who appeared with her in court today.

The march to the American Embassy was organised by the "Committee of 100" — the brain behind the anti-nuclear campaign — to protest against the American decision to resume laboratory and underground nuclear tests, police blocked the march, and the demonstrators squatted in the roadway where they were stopped.—AFP.

Message to U.S. envoy

London, Sept. 7. This afternoon a delegation from the "Committee of 100", headed by Mr. Ralph Schoenman, private secretary to the committee's chairman, Lord Bertrand Russell, handed a message from Lord Russell to the American Ambassador Mr. David Bruce.

The message called on the American Government to suspend nuclear tests and to disarm.—AFP.

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BATTLE OF BRITAIN SHOW**Londoners will see German wartime V-2**

London, Sept. 7. The rocket that started the space race, the 1944 German V-2 launched against Britain in 1944, will make a peaceful appearance on the London outskirts on September 16, it was announced.

Londoners attending the Royal Air Force's Battle of Britain display at Biggin Hill in Kent will have a first chance to see the dreaded rocket in close quarters in a war planes exhibition.

They will also be able to see its predecessor, the pilotless V-1 buzz-bomb, commonly called the "Doodlebug," which the Nazis threw against London and southern England to replace their depleted bomber force.

200,000 people

About 200,000 people are expected to visit Biggin Hill, a main British fighter plane base in the Nazi bombers which lasted through most of the second half of 1940.

Sixteen air forces stations in Britain will be opened free to the public for the day for displays by more than 200 warplanes.—China Mail Special.

Dispute over will of late George Formby

London, Sept. 7. Efforts to settle a dispute over the £120,000 will of the late George Formby have fallen through, Miss Pat Howson, the comedian's fiancée, said in Preston, Lancashire.

Miss Howson, who was left practically the whole of the estate, said last night: "The Formby family lodged a caveat against the will, with a view to obtaining something for George's mother."

"I then offered a settlement of £5,000 which was the amount George left her in a previous will, and the family were given three months to consider the offer."

"On August 25, the deadline, they asked for a further week. This has now expired without either acceptance or refusal so I have withdrawn the offer."—China Mail Special.

TUC calls for tax on all land deals

Portsmouth, Sept. 7. The Trades Union Congress today called for emergency legislation to tax all land deals and property development schemes involving increases in the price of land above present values. At its annual conference here, the Congress instructed its general council to urge the government to make grants to local authorities to enable them to acquire at uniformly low cost land needed for housing and planned redevelopment, in any part of their built-up areas. Moving the resolution, Mr. R. W. Toms, of the Association of Building Technicians, said increasing speculation in land was forcing up prices to a level which was making it impossible for local authorities to deal with problems of housing and the provision of social amenities.—China Mail Special.

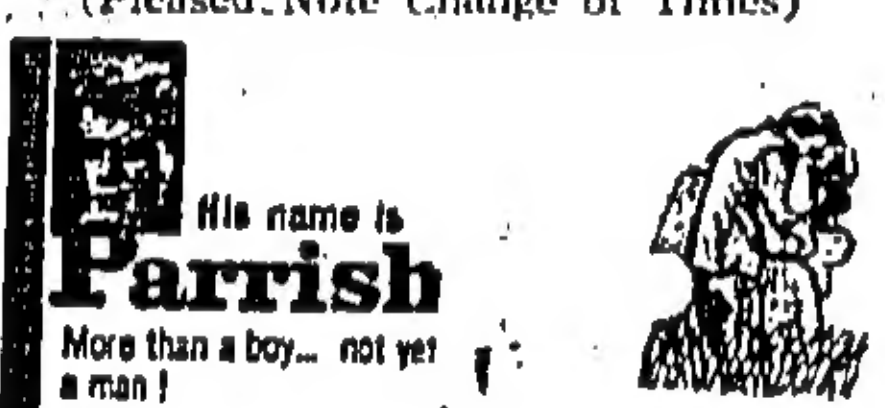
Mayor of Arnhem declines invitation

Rotterdam, Sept. 7. The Mayor of Arnhem, Dutch city famous for the bitter fighting between British paratroops and the German Army in 1944, has turned down an invitation to attend a meeting of civic heads of 10 war-devastated towns to be held in Coventry, Britain.

Municipal authorities at Coventry, one of the worst-bombed English towns during world war two, invited representatives of 10 European towns to discuss the Berlin crisis and the international situation. The Arnhem mayor Mr. C. G. Matser, said he felt these matters to be discussed by statesmen rather than mayors.—China Mail Special.

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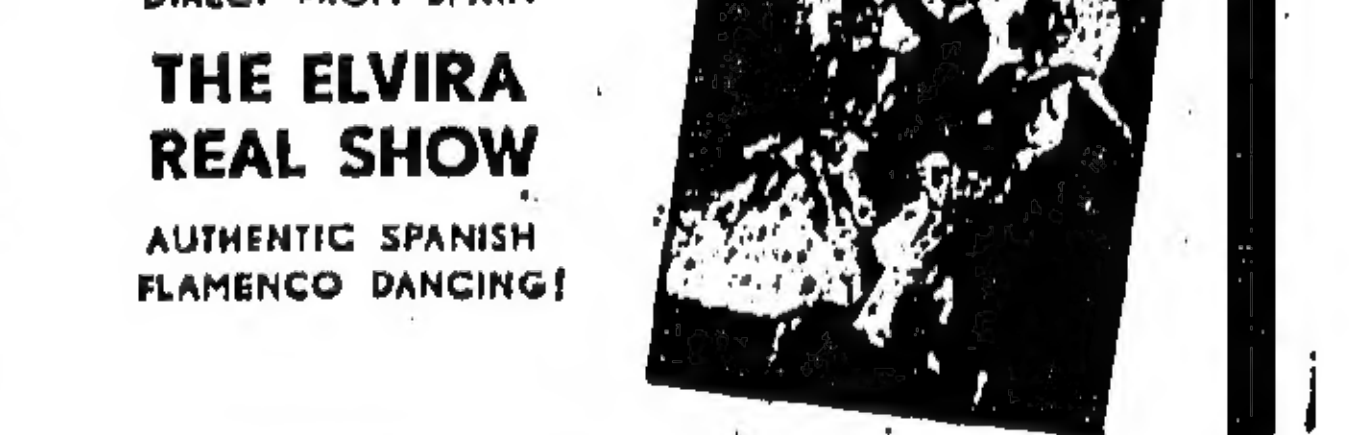


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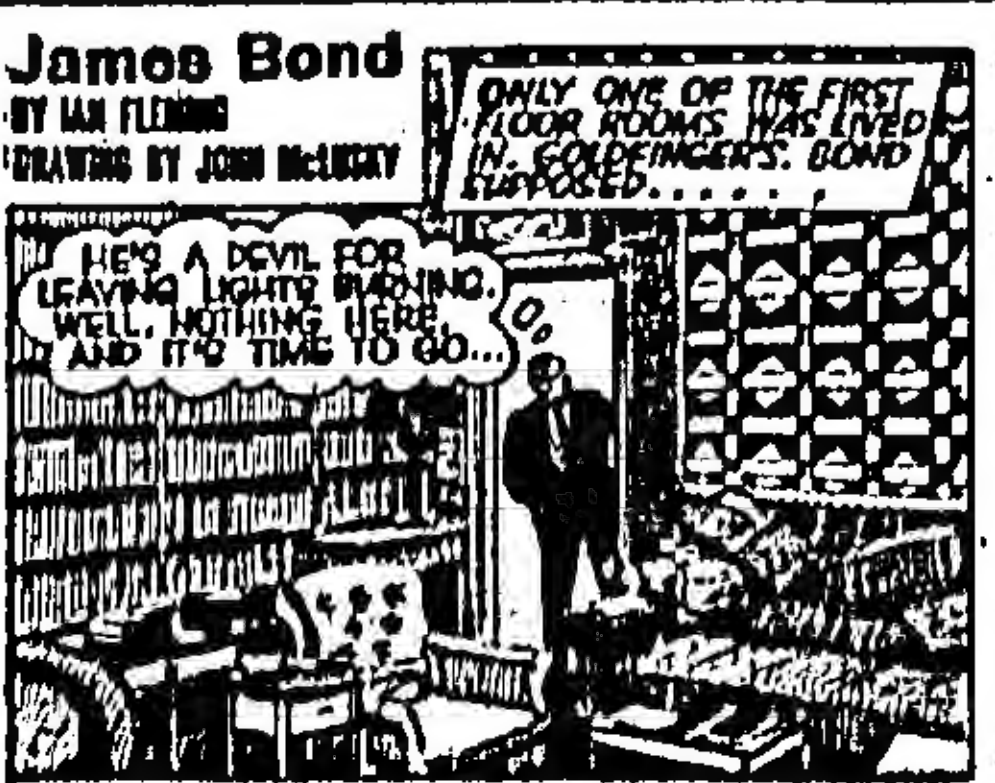


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Freedom's bastion? To my generation it will always be the city of Hitler's bunker

BERLIN'S WALL: AS IMPOSING AS A SANDCASTLE

THE Germans have a phrase, "Ich habe die Nase voll." Literally it means, "My nose is full." Idiomatically it means, "I am cheesed off, browned off and fed up."

And the phrase sums up what most reasonable people feel after experiencing in Berlin what has happened these last 10 days. My nose is so full that I'm beginning to get optimistic. It is all so childish, so crazy, that I feel ordinary people all over the world will tell their political leaders that their noses are also full.

So stupid

Can you imagine anything more stupid in an age of H-bombs and trips into space than a stupid little wall 4ft. high which could be knocked down if you leaned on it, dividing the East and West?

It's just about as imposing as a sandcastle built by children. Apart from the wall there is this famous barbed wire put up by the East Germans also. In fact it's only a few strands. The only efficient barbed wire put up in Berlin in the last few days is the 1,000 yards of it the British have put up round a Russian war memorial.

I must confess I don't like to see it. I don't like to see

By DONALD EDGAR

British troops in active service left patrolling its perimeter. It's a bit of a schoolboy prank and a rather nasty-minded schoolboy — to put up barbed wire round a memorial to men who fell fighting against the Nazis.

But then that attitude is typical of some strange form of madness that seems to exist in Berlin. For example, Major-General Sir Robert Delamater, the COC of the British garrison there, has been putting out a few tanks, calling out his troops in the middle of the night to impress the world that the British are on the ball. What really do a few Centurion tanks and a brigade of Infantry mean?

What, for that matter, is the significance of 1,500 Americans — armed with the equivalent of pea-shooters — as a reinforcement to Berlin?

And what madness has overcome the East Germans and their Russian friends to build stupid little walls and indulge in the childish jibes over loud-speakers when Dr Adenauer was at the Brandenburger Tor.

Suffered

My generation will never have an affection for Berlin as a symbol. It's all very well for Mr Kennedy to talk about it as a "bastion" of freedom. I think

of it in terms of Hitler's bunker. But, one would be silly and inhuman not to realise that, in fact, the Berliners have had a rough time.

Whatever the faults of the Hitler regime may have been, most Berliners feel they have suffered enough. By their behaviour since the war they have proved they are worthy of running their own destiny.

The Berliners are also a rather spoiled people. They play on it like spoiled children to a certain extent. Since the days of the blockade they know that the Americans consider Berlin to be one of their frontiers. That is why they flattered Lyndon Johnson so much the other day. But one cannot look at West Berlin police looking at East Berlin police over a barrier and not realise that they also have their noses full.

As I am writing this I think the situation will undoubtedly get worse. The West Germans do something against the East Germans. And then the East Germans do something against the West Germans. And all their friends from Washington or Moscow feel a little happier. The great danger is that although both sides have probably decided quite reasonably that there will have to be discussions about Berlin, they have told their subordinates in Berlin to indulge in pressure so that their cards might be a little stronger.

But the madness of this game is that any time, any day, something could happen which could end not only the story of Berlin, but the story of mankind.

(London Express Service).

Mr Miles wants to be everybody's brother . . .

MR Bernard Miles, actor, manager of the Mermaid Theatre, was talking about brotherly love. "Above my bed there hang two slogans. The first: 'I am my brother's keeper.' The second: 'What, where, why, and when?' They are the only things worth knowing."

He was explaining his offer of employment to Frank Haxell, the former Communist general secretary of the E.T.U. We were sitting in his office overlooking the Thames. Jack Spratt, Mr Miles's parrot, was sitting on his perch looking disenchanted about something or other.

Whitewash

Mr Miles was exuding brotherly love. "I had 'I am my brother's keeper' painted over the door there. But one day someone on the staff, who didn't believe in it slapped whitewash all over it."

He said he had never bothered to have it replaced because if he did, someone

would go to work once more with the whitewash brush and that would be tiresome.

Mr Miles, articulate, relaxed, is anxious that people get his message of brotherly love. He inquired, looking straight at me with eyes the colour of pale ale, if I was on his side. I said maybe.

"You ought to be. You must understand how I feel. Now, I didn't offer Haxell a job as a publicity stunt. I did it for two reasons."

"Firstly, I wanted an electrician and I'm told he is very good. Secondly, I was annoyed when I read in your paper that people had refused him jobs. I

thought democracy ought to step in."

Again the intense, inquiring stare. The parrot nodded off. "Good. Well, I struck a blow for democracy. I got a following telegram." He cleared his throat and read out a copy of the telegram in a lovely actor's voice.

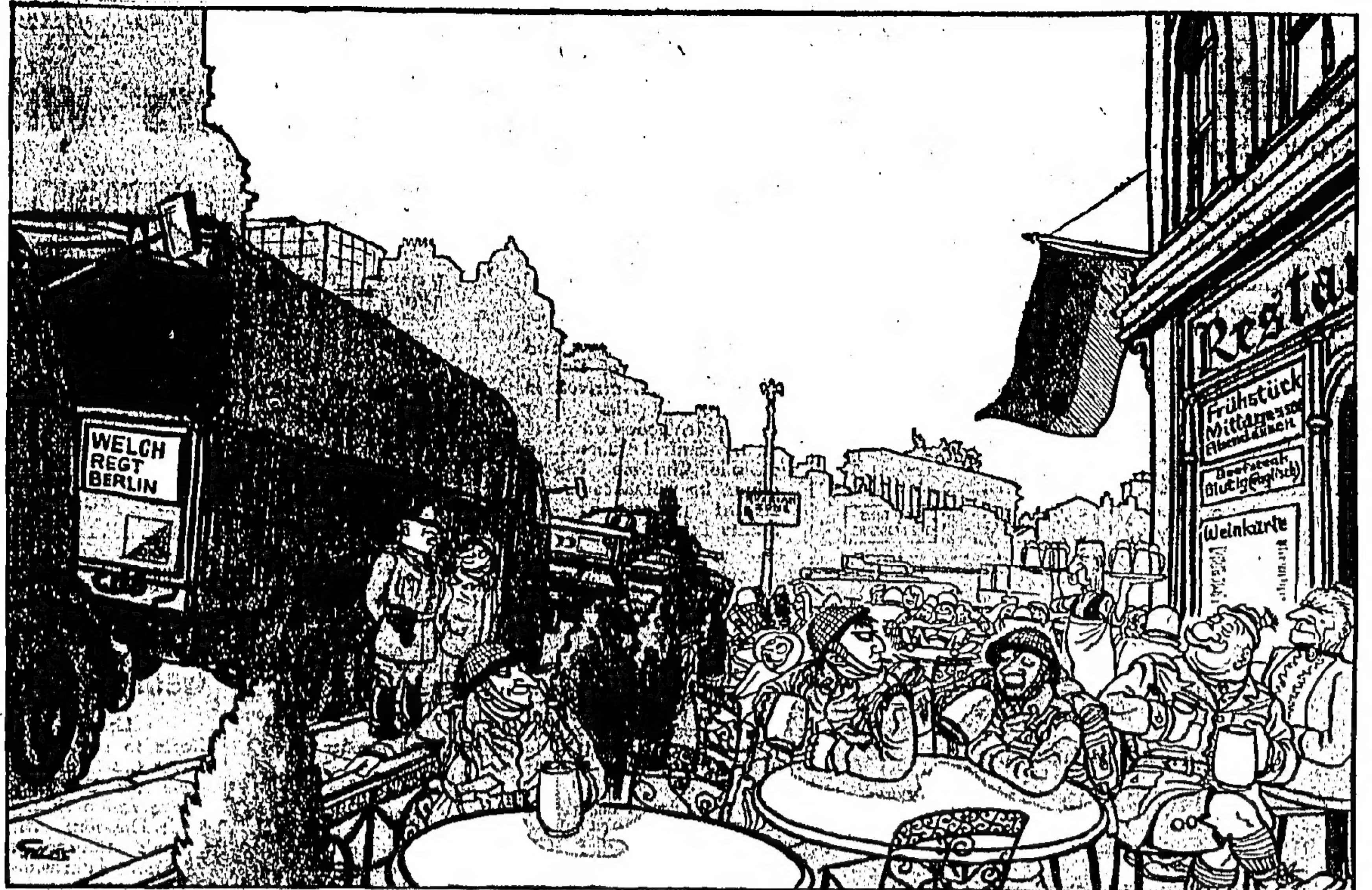
All-party

Thus: "After reading this morning's Daily Express the Mermaid Theatre, strongly democratic, all-party, inter-denominational, multilingual organisation, wrote 'Live and Let Live' existence, the only hope for humanity, invite you to join the staff as stand-by electrician for the next production."

He woke the parrot up and teased it in a high, maniacal voice. Suddenly he said: "It is obligatory for democracy to give a helping hand." He considered this for a while and then said: "I might stick that up above the door."

MICHAEL PARKINSON

(London Express Service).



"Just let him say once more Taffy, Mein Herr, I hat two sohns serving mit der Panzers in Wales."

London Express Service.

IN THE SHADOW OF AMRITSAR'S GOLDEN TEMPLE, WHERE SIKHS WAIT WITH CUTLASSES AND KNIVES

THE FAST TO DEATH OF MASTER TARA SINGH...

BY RENE MACCOLL

Serene

The six doctors who attend the venerable leader twice daily are issuing increasingly ominous bulletins.

But inside the little whitewashed room which is within the famous Golden Temple, I encountered an unexpected atmosphere.

Tara Singh himself was serene and cheerful as he talked

to me. And those about, including two sons, a married daughter of great beauty, and a group of close friends and counsellors, showed no signs of grief, concern, or sense of impending doom.

"That is what Tara Singh has ordered," said one of those at the bedside. "He wants no weeping or wailing during his ordeal."

As two great electric fans revolved above us, Tara Singh, in a voice which showed only occasional signs of weakness, told me: "Nothing will shake me now. Perhaps I can keep it up another 12 days. After the first two or three days, all thoughts of food disappear. My mind is occupied only with thoughts of success in our struggle."

Tara Singh is fasting in an effort to persuade Indian Prime Minister Nehru to agree to the creation of a Punjabi-language state here in the Punjab, which would be dominated by the Sikh community. Nehru says No. That strikes the 7,000,000 Sikhs as grossly unfair because in the last few years Nehru has set up similar states in other parts of India.

Fighting

Went on Tara Singh, fixing his brown eyes on my face: "We are fighting for our honour now. We feel that we are being discriminated against. Why should we not be granted what other parts of the nation have already received? Nehru treats us as an inferior people, he wishes to demoralise us."

"The British used to get their way with us by kindness and dignity—but not these people in Delhi. Democratic nations such as Britain and America ought to try to teach Nehru some lessons in democracy. We want to have all honest, reasonable agree-

ment with the Delhi Government and to let no stigma remain on our honour."

While one of his sons, a gunsmith by trade, started to massage the old man's fingers, Tara Singh, a former school teacher, added: "A nation like the Sikhs stands as a bulwark

against Communism. If we are destroyed, then the Punjab will go Red—and after that all of India."

Later in the day Tara Singh—fatly disobeying the pleadings of his doctors—insisted on being placed on a stretcher and carried out of his room. The stretcher was set on a high table where he could be plainly seen by a vast crowd which had gathered at the Golden Temple.

A roar of acclaim went up. There were shouts of "Long live Tara Singh" and a great brandishing of spears, swords, cutlasses and knives by the men, for the Sikhs stand no nonsense about not carrying weapons.

Many of the women could not follow the dying man's instructions about tears and were weeping wildly as they held up their tiny children for a look. After a few moments Tara Singh sat up, staring about him. Then, with an effort, and supported by his followers, he rose to his feet and gave the boxers' salute to the crowd.

I must say he looked uncommonly frail standing there.

To me there was something eerie and unreal about the scene. It seemed hard to grasp that this little white-haired creature—who has now lost almost a stone and a half during his fast and who allows himself only an occasional sip of water—means

to let life slip from him, in gentle pursuance of his political ideals.

But it seems to me there may be nothing gentle about the reaction if and when Tara Singh does die.

Tension

While prayers go on night and day in the towns and villages of the teeming Punjab a sort of uneasiness and tension has settled over Amritsar.

As I passed through the Golden Temple in my bare feet, the whole scene wrapped in suffocating heat which a wildly spectacular thunderstorm did nothing to alleviate, I was aware of the tension on all sides.

All police leave has been cancelled, the Home Guard is alerted, and special patrols guard bridges and telegraph stations, while the unusual scene has been taken of commandeering all the taxis in town.

One of Tara Singh's friends told me: "If he dies we hope that there will be no violence, for in that way we might lose the moral authority which we now enjoy. I would not bet on it though. The Sikhs are in an ugly mood—and a Sikh in an ugly mood is no man to cross."

(London Express Service).

DID RADIATION START LIFE?

It's the latest theory from a top American scientist

WHAT started life on Earth? Could it have been a chemical reaction that predated the spawning of fish, birds, animals, men?

Scientists, philosophers, men of religion argue loud and long about the creation of all things living. Leading American scientist has come up with an ingenious theory: It was radiation from outer space that began it all.

The scientist is Dr Hubertus Strughold, respected as the "father" of space medicine and now adviser on the subject to the United States Air Force.

An obstacle

Radiation is of great concern to him today: It is an obstacle to man's journey to the planets. Dr Strughold believes that high energy forces such as lightning bolts and ultra-violet rays acted on the primeval atmosphere surrounding the Earth.



The radiation changed gases such as ammonia, hydrogen and methane in the air to form the first 'pre-life molecules'. These dissolved in the ancient seas, and eventually combined—emerging as proteins and amino acids. Life then started.

Thick bands

When the U.S. Explorer satellites began scouring space in 1959 they discovered the presence of two thick bands of radiation around Earth, now called the Van Allen belts. The outer of these, Dr Strughold suggests, played a vital part millions of years ago. The belt dips in at the Poles. At these points, he says, the

atomic radiation may have been of such high energy that it "boiled" straight through the atmosphere to act as the main sparkplug for the chemical reactions.

It is his theory, not mine.

Weather silence

The photographs showed clouds over Russia, as seen from a U.S. Tiros "weather satellite."

Then someone in space headquarters, Washington, had a bright idea—send the Russians a set of complimentary prints.

A set was airmailed, with a request for details of what the weather was like below—in Russia—that day. Back came a "Thank you" from Moscow. But a refusal to say anything about the weather.

Such is the spirit of international co-operation between West and East today.

(London Express Service).



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WOMANSENSE

JACOBY on BRIDGE

TAKE a look at the South hand only. West opens with one heart. East bids two diamonds; West raises to three; East bids four no-trump; West bids five diamonds to show one ace; East bids five hearts.

So far you have passed quickly. What do you do now?

George E. Roosevelt of New York, showing the same spirit his cousin Theodore had shown when he charged up San Juan Hill, bid five spades.

West's double sounded louder than the Spanish cannon, but when the smoke had cleared

NORTH 18		EAST	
♠ A Q 8 4		♠ 7 5	
♥ 8 4		♥ A 7 3	
♦ A 7 3		♦ 6	
♣ K J		♣ A 9 7 3 2	
WEST (D)		EAST	
♠ A Q 10 4		♠ 7 5	
♥ 8 4		♥ A 7 3	
♦ A 7 3		♦ 6	
♣ K J		♣ A 9 7 3 2	
SOUTH		1098732	
		♥ None	
		♦ 7	
		♣ 7 109852	
No one vulnerable			
West	North	East	South
1♥	Pass	2♦	Pass
3♦	Pass	4NT	Pass
5♥	Pass	5♣	Pass
Double	Pass	Pass	Pass
Opening lead—♦ 6			

away, George had made his five spades just as surely as Theodore had planted the American flag at the top of the hill.

There was nothing to the play except the spade finesse and that worked for him. I was asked just how wise or foolish the five-spade bid was. The answer is that it was a very good bid. East and West were good players and their bidding had clearly shown that they held two aces only and that they were both long in the red suits. Hence, North was marked with two aces (probably the black ones) and plenty of black cards with them. George had no reason to expect to make his contract, but he certainly was not going to be hurt and he was defending against a sure heart game.

ACARD Series

Q—The bidding has been:
North East South West
1♥ Pass 2♦ Pass
3♦ Pass 4NT Pass
5♥ Pass 5♣ Pass
What do you do?
A—Bid three no-trump. This is no problem.

TODAY'S QUESTION
Instead of bidding three hearts your partner has raised you to three diamonds. What do you do now?

Answer Tomorrow

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AQUARIUS (January 21-February 19): A suggestion to alter a plan ought to be rejected, as your own idea is definitely the better one.

PISCES (February 20-March 20): A young person will ask your advice and then proceed to do exactly the opposite, but you should not be discouraged from advising him on future occasions.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): A recently made friend will surprise you by imparting some useful information which you have tried to obtain for a very long time.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): An annoying little incident ought to be shrugged off and not be allowed to spoil your otherwise happy mood.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21): An expenditure you have contemplated for quite a while should be made now, when you will get the best value for your money.

CANCER (June 22-July 21): A neighbour who has been helped by you will show his gratitude by putting some remunerative work your way.

LEO (July 22-August 21): A closer relationship with a member of your family

BE YOUR OWN ARTIST . . .

A new form of lip-stick has recently come on the local market which should prove a very welcome new cosmetic for those of you who like to put your lipstick on with a brush.

In an attractive little gold and white compact, this is Vande's Lip Bar and it comes in a range of gay colours such as Sassy Red, Coral Candy and White Tulips.

The creamy lipstick bar is very easy to apply with its own small sable brush and there is a good wide mirror in the lid of the compact for easy viewing.

Vande have continued their artist's palette theme with a Beauty Palette, containing six shades of lipstick, six of eye shadow and two liquid eyeliner.

Together with three sable brushes, a mixing palette, instruction folder and its own pretty gold and white box—you



can experiment away to your heart's content, mixing and blending your own colours to the exact shade you want. The Lip Bar costs \$8.75 and the Beauty Palette is selling at \$12.50, which is expensive, but you are getting quite a lot for your money.

If you prefer to have the lipstick shades only there is also a Lipstick Palette with six fashion shades to choose from and this is a more reasonable price at \$17.

All together, this Californian firm has come up with a very bright new idea and the Lip Bar is well worth experimenting with next time you want a new lipstick.

—Jennifer Lane

For that model look

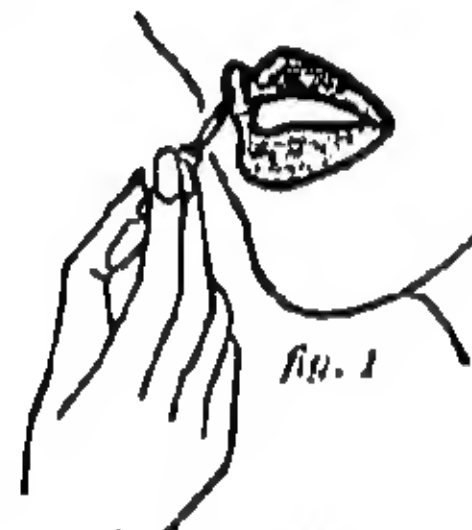


Fig. 1. Draw upper lip outline from center outward to each corner in continuous line, using edge of bristles. Replenish lip cosmetic on brush, fill in surface of upper lip within drawn outline, using flat side of bristles.

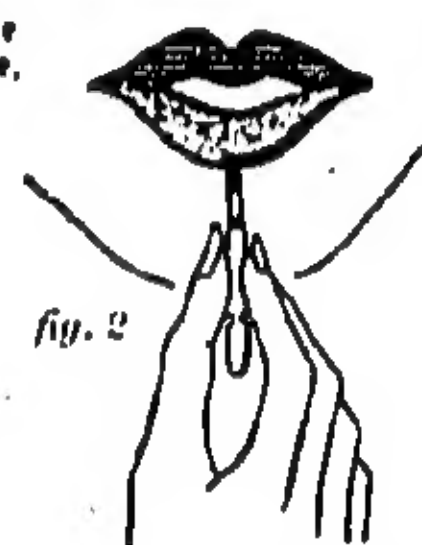


Fig. 2. Outline lower lip starting at corner of mouth, continuing in single line to other corner, to align lower lip with upper. Fill in surface of lower lip with flat of bristles. Blot lips.

Statistically speaking, the prophets are left holding the baby

BY NANCY BANKS-SMITH

BRITAIN'S statisticians are a cowed and routed crowd today, disconsolately kicking their electronic brains for comfort. Their calculations have been blown to blazes by a bunch of babies. In 1955 they forecast a gradual decline in Britain's birth rate. It promptly shot up in 1956 and has gone on increasing since at the rate of 25,000 babies a year.

Last year 916,000 were born—more than in any year since 1947, the time of the Tommies' return.

At a conservative estimate of 7lb. per baby that is 2,802½ tons of bellowing humanity that the statisticians didn't bargain for. The weight of the evidence against them is crushing.

And this year looks like producing a bumper harvest of babies again.

EARNING MORE

TALKING fast, the statisticians now say people are marrying earlier than they expected, having children sooner, earning more.

The Chancellor's "baby" budget may yet save their faces by inducing a mood of economic depression, which means a brake on the birthrate.

Which is one thing I bet Selwyn Lloyd never bargained for when he slapped fourpence on fags.

STATISTIC

THE Queen was a statistic last year. Princess Margaret will be this. And Harold Macmillan is in the van of the baby boom, having more grandchildren than any other British Prime Minister in history.

His daughter, Mrs. Julian Faber, brought the roll call of Macmillan grandchildren up to 15 this year with a heavy-weight contribution, a 9lb-plus son.

Another Macmillan daughter, Mrs. Julian Amery, who has four children, told me: "I didn't plan a large family—but I did plan not to have a small one." Let the logical mathematician's brain make what it can of that.

Did the prophets consider the happiness factor?

Even the model-mother, with one eye on her figure, is a nail in the prophets' coffins. Barbara Goalen has four children. "I was bewitched by pretty maternity wear," she says wryly, "into forgetting the utter boredom of the longest nine months God ever created."

Did the prophets forget fashion? I hate to kick a statistician when he's down, but this year I'm a statistic too.

FASHION by Barbara Griggs

Beauty latest: The Moist is the most

London.

NO section of the fashion trade is so fertile in its imagination, so prolific in its smooth flow of ideas, as the beauty business. News, news and more news pours out in a relentless flood, all the time.

This means, of course, that to make room for the newest news, older news has to be discreetly jettisoned from time to time.

As lipstick gets quieter, eyes get louder; as the Pale Look comes in, the rouge promotions fall off (about due, that one, to be brought back with a bang); and just occasionally, when news is particularly hard to think up, we turn back to the front of the book and start all over again. Only this time it's a DIFFERENT, see?

One of these quiet revolutions is under way at the moment. Its password is "Moisture."

"Beauty is rather a DAMP story at the moment," as Selfridges' perfumery buyer put it.

Moisture as a slogan has superseded every cry of the last four years, with vitamins and hormones disappearing gently all along the route.

Moisture is rather a good word, especially when keyed to pictures of life-giving dew on flowers, refreshing streams of crystal water and other nice thoughts.

One notices it about THE EYES where a gentle dewy look is in the process of ousting the hard slyline stare achieved with thick black lines and blocks of liquid colour.

One notices it in LIPSTICKS where the major firms are now unobtrusively shifting to formulas described by words

like Creamy and Glossy, and thinking in terms of those delectable young French film starlets with shiny lips.

TOPS

Two years ago, the in word for lipstick was indelible, and the colour that still hung grimly onto your lips after a good night's sleep or an impassioned embrace was top of the pops.

Indelible lipsticks are now well down on the horizon; the new lipsticks are planned to look moist and creamy, and are a m e d accordingly—like

Germaine Montell's Super-Lumina.

At the same time, beauty laboratories are working flat out

to produce a formula that will look that way but not run all over the place. "Just because it's creamy, it doesn't mean it HAS to smear," say Max Factor defensively.

One sees the dewy look, finally, in the shape of a new approach to power—and foundation-cream. When I was an uncertain teenager learning about make-up, there was (there probably still is) a useful all-in-one product called Powder-Cream.

The newest formula for make-up borrows the same idea, and gives us, as a change from the pressed powders which are basically dry, the powder-and-

foundation-in-one which is basically moist.

Two so far are Max Factor's Sheer Genius, and Revlon's Contempo ("perfect combination of moisturizer, foundation and powder"). Both start out as thick smooth creams which need careful applications and dry off slightly to give a matt finish. Expect a flood along the same lines.

Problems?

THE girls I envy most in London... those real-slim dummies in Fenwick's

windows who have no hair-problems at all....

Every new season Janet Greenwood, who is in charge of display at Fenwick's, sends off a stack of photographs and sketches of the newest hairstyles to the firm that makes their wigs... and the girls start out all over again with a beautiful new hair-do which won't get blown about or mussed, however long they stand there looking pretty.

Big news

IN a day or two from now good American girls will be wrapping up the patent leather shoes and bunging them into storage until next spring.

In Europe we have no such inhibitions about wearing patent in autumn or winter: on the contrary, it's the biggest news of all in Paris and London autumn shoe collections.

Charles Jourdan not only has masses of the usual black patent—but bullfighter red, chevron brown and ochre-yellow patent into the bargain. In London, Edward Rayne is equally adventurous, and his range of patent colours includes nubergine and a deep coffee bean brown.

CASUAL

Patent crops up again—in the form of a trim—on one of London's best selling shoes: a super casual low-heeled pump in jaunty emerald or lipstick red, edged and heeled in black patent.

Model girls—always quick on to a good thing—are snapping it up fast. Finola Doughty picked red when I saw her wearing it with a deep olive green wool dress and a red chiffon scarf. Beth Millington also picked red and wore hers with a Chanel suit in cream wool braided in red and navy.—London Express Service.

STORIES FOR BOYS AND GIRLS

The Baron's Pets

—Munch Tells Shadows How He Got Them—

By MAX TRELL

KNARF and Hanid, the Shadow Children with the Turned-About Names, had often admired the Cat and the Dog that belonged to Baron Munch. For his part, Baron Munch was extremely fond of Dunner and Wetter, which were the names that he had given to the Cat and the Dog.

"They've been my pets for many years," Baron Munch said. "I'd hardly know what I'd do without them."

Hanid said that Dunner and Wetter had lovely colours. Dunner, the Cat, Hanid said, always reminded her of a glass of water.

Clear eyes

"I mean," she said, "that her eyes are so clear."

Baron Munch nodded.

"Dunner," he said, "is one of the few Cats who enjoy a good swim in the bathtub."

Knarf now said that Wetter, the Dog, always reminded him of water, too.

"I mean splashing water," he said. "That's because Wetter is always jumping around in such a fast way."

How he got them

"You're quite right," agreed Baron Munch. "There was a time when I first got Wetter that I was going to call him Splash."

Knarf and Hanid now both asked Baron Munch to tell them how he had come to get Dunner and Wetter.

Cat or a Dog because he had just sold them all.

"He explained that he could sell me a Canary or Parrot or a Monkey or a Goldfish or a white Mouse or a Hamster or a Rabbit or a Lizard—in fact anything with wings or legs or scales or fur except a Cat or a Dog."

"And," continued Baron Munch to Knarf and Hanid, "I heard exactly the same story from the proprietor of the Pet shop at the other end of the street. There were simply no Cats and no Dogs either to be given away or to be sold."

Felt distressed

"You can't imagine," said Baron Munch, "how distressed I was as I started back home. I had expected to have a Cat and a Dog in each arm. Instead, I had nothing. And to make matters worse, the clouds had suddenly come up to darken the sunny sky and, shortly thereafter, it began to rain."

"I was still a long way from home. I had no umbrella. I started to walk more quickly. The rain came down harder and harder and suddenly, Baron Munch cried, 'suddenly I had them!'"

Knarf and Hanid stared at Baron Munch in astonishment. "Don't you understand?" asked Baron Munch. "It began raining Cats and Dogs!"

Knarf and Hanid looked more astonished than ever.

Rained cats and dogs

"It did, indeed," said Baron Munch. "The Cats and the Dogs came tumbling down from the sky as thick as raindrops. Dunner, the Cat, landed in one arm. And Wetter, the Dog, landed in the other."

"I ran all the way home, with them, dodging all the other Cats and Dogs that kept raining down on top of me. And

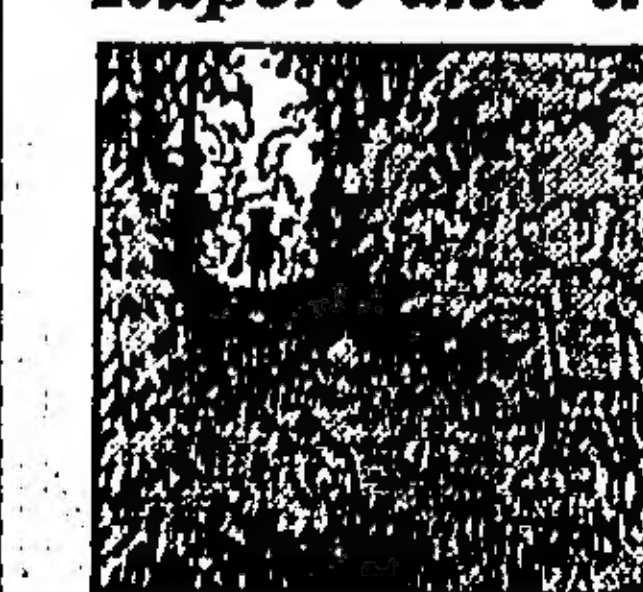


Knarf and Hanid stared at Munch in astonishment.

that's my story and I hope you believe it."

Then Baron Munch leaned back in his chair and calmly puffed away at his long clay pipe while Knarf and Hanid looked at each other and wondered, and Dunner, the Cat, and Wetter, the Dog, just sat in the corner and looked mysterious.

Rupert and the Secret Path—10



Although getting more and more tired Rupert and Dingo keep on working. All at once Rupert gives a cry. "Look, your secret path seems to end here," he calls. "Yes," answers Dingo. "That's as far as I had made it. You have when you try to."



been a good pal. This wasn't your fault. You might just have gone home." "Oh well, now we can go home together as there's no more secret path," says Rupert. Then he gives a start. "Hi, wait," he cries, "you mustn't leave me yet!"

